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Subject: Comment in support of RIN 1210-AB30

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I am writing to support the interim final rule under the Paul Wellstone and Pete Domenici Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008 (RIN 1210-AB30).

It has been proven that mental illness is a PHYSICAL anomaly in the brain and to treat it as anything different from a physical anomaly in the body shows an antiquated belief that is no longer accepted in the medical field.

It reinforces the bias and the destructive attitudes society as a whole has towards people with mental illness and I personally consider charging exorbitant rates for mental illness an insidious form of a hate crime.

Mental illness is pervasive in our society and creates higher costs for bodily illness. The whole body should be treated the same. After all, don't most of us have heads?

Sincerely,

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